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In re Application of:

Gary Heartsfield

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 30, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2003, please amend the application as indicated below and consider the included Remarks. Appendix A contains a clean listing of all pending claims for the convenience of the Examiner.

I. AMENDMENT

A. In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-4 and 17-20 without prejudice.

Please add the following claims:

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